IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please delete the SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION, beginning at line 6 of page 3 and ending at line 19 of page 4, and replace it with the following:

SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

It is an object of the present invention to provide a system in which a remote controller enables a user to remotely operate two or more pieces of electronic equipment.

In one aspect, the present invention provides for controlling a controlled apparatus, which is controlled by a remote control signal. The remote control signal transmitted from a remote control apparatus is received, and the controlled apparatus or a second controlled apparatus is selected according to the remote control signal. A control command corresponding to the remote control signal is transmitted to the second controlled apparatus, if the second controlled apparatus is selected. An operating state of the second controlled apparatus is checked before the control command is transmitted to the second controlled apparatus. The controlled apparatus is controlled according to the remote control signal, if the controlled apparatus is selected.

Preferably, the remote control apparatus has a selector adapted to select a destination of the control command. It is also preferred that the remote control signal has information indicating a destination of the control command. The controlled apparatus may be an apparatus having a video recorder, or may be an apparatus having a TV monitor.

This brief summary has been provided so that the nature of the invention may be understood quickly. A more complete understanding of the invention can be

obtained by reference to the following detailed description of the preferred embodiment thereof in connection with the attached drawings.